

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Appl. No.	:	Unknown	)	
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For	:	WEATHER STRIP AND	)	
		MOUNTING STRUCTURE	)	
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Examiner	:	Unknown	)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following claims:

5. (New) The weather strip according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined angle is 30 to 60 degrees.
6. (New) The weather strip according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of the double-sided adhesive tape is in the range of about 0.6 to 1.2 mm.
7. (New) The mounting structure of weather strip according to claim 4, wherein the predetermined angle is at least 15 degrees and up to 75 degrees.
8. (New) The mounting structure of weather strip according to claim 4, wherein the predetermined angle is 30 to 60 degrees.
9. (New) The mounting structure of weather strip according to claim 4, wherein the double-sided adhesive tape is bonded to the second attachment face by hot melting.
10. (New) The mounting structure of weather strip according to claim 4, wherein the thickness of the double-sided adhesive tape is in the range of about 0.6 to 1.2 mm.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

As stated in the attached Request for Approval of Drawing Changes, Applicant has requested to amend Figure 6 to designate that the illustrated is old, as shown in the attached copy of the figure wherein the correction is indicated with red ink.

REMARKS

Claims 5-10 have been added by the current amendment. Support for Claims 5 and 8 can be found on page 6, line 10. Support for Claims 6 and 10 can be found on page 7, line 14. Support for Claim 7 can be found on page 6, line 9. Support for Claim 9 can be found on page 7, lines 4-5. The drawing has been amended to comply with the U.S. practice. As such, no new matter has been added. Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

Should there be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below.

Respectfully submitted,

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